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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Zuber et al. Examiner: O'Neill, Karie Amber

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membrane-electrode-assembly made thereof

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this response in reply to the August 8, 2007 Restriction Requirement issued by the Examiner in the above-referenced application. A one-month period for replying to the Restriction Requirement was set. Because this response is being submitted on September 7, 2007, it is timely filed.